M. VVilliam Shake-ſpe

HIS

Hiſtory, of King Lear.

Enter Kent, Gloceſter, and Baſtard.

Kent.

I Thought the King had more affected the D
Albeney then *Cornewall.*

Gloſt. It did alwaies ſeeme ſo to vs, but
the diuiſion of the Kingdomes, it appear
which of the Dukes he values moſt, for equ
are ſo weighed, that curioſity in neither, can make choiſ
thers moytie.

Kent. Is not this your ſonne, my Lord?

Gloſt. His breeding ſir hath beene at my charge. I hau
ten bluſht to acknowledge him, that now I am braz'd to

Kent. I cannot conceiue you.

Gloſt. Sir, this young fellowes mother could, whereup
grew round wombed, and had indeed Sir a ſonne for he
dle, ere ſhe had a husband for her bed, do you ſmell a faul

Kent. I cannot wiſh the fault vndone, the iſſue of it be
proper.

Glo. But I haue ſir a ſonne by order of Law, ſome year
then this, who yet is no deerer in my account, though this
came ſomething ſawcely into the world before he was ſe
yet was his mother faire, there was good ſport at his mak
the whoreſon muſt be acknowledged, do you know this
gentleman, *Edmund*?